



## TOWN COUNCIL – AGENDA REQUEST FORM

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Please submit Agenda Request Form, **including back up information**, 8 days prior to the requested meeting date. **Public Hearing requests must be submitted 20 days prior to the requested meeting date to meet publication deadlines** (exceptions may be authorized by the Town Manager, Chairman/Vice Chair).

### MEETING INFORMATION

Date Submitted: 5/05/15 Date of Meeting: 5/28/15  
Submitted by: Michael Currier Time Required: 15 min  
Department: Fire/Emergency Mgt. Background Info. Supplied: Yes ☒ No ☐  
Speakers: Chief Michael Currier, FF Paramedic Jeromy Penerian

### CATEGORY OF BUSINESS (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Appointment:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Recognition/Resignation/Retirement:	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Public Hearing:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Old Business:	<input type="checkbox"/>
New Business:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Consent Agenda:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Nonpublic:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>

### TITLE OF ITEM

Adoption of a Heart-safe Community Initiative

### DESCRIPTION OF ITEM

See attached Memorandum

### REFERENCE (IF KNOWN)

RSA:	Warrant Article:
Charter Article:	Town Meeting:
Other:	N/A:

### EQUIPMENT REQUIRED (PLEASE PLACE AN "X" IN THE APPROPRIATE BOX)

Projector:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Grant Requirements:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Easel:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Joint Meeting:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Special Seating:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other:	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laptop:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	None:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### APPROVAL

Town Manager: Yes ☐ No ☐ Chair/Vice Chair: Yes ☐ No ☐

Hold for Meeting Date:





## MERRIMACK FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT


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Headquarters**  
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**Fire Chief**  
Michael P. Currier

**Assistant Fire Chief**  
Richard W. Pierson

**Assistant Fire Chief**  
Brian L. Borneman

### **MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 05, 2015  
**TO:** Eileen Cabanel, Town Manager  
**FROM:** Michael Currier, Chief of the Department   
**SUBJECT:** NH Heart-safe Initiative

The NH Heartsafe Community Initiative is a designation to communities throughout the State of New Hampshire for meeting goals in Cardio Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) /Automatic External Defibrillation (AED) Training, AED Placement and Advanced Life Support (ALS) Response Levels.

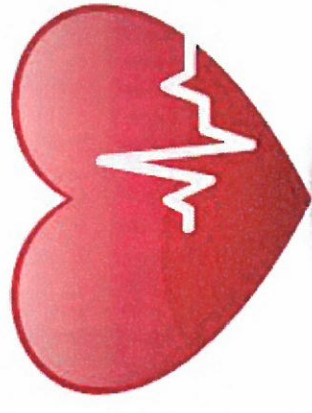
What this project is designed to do is strengthen the chain of survival for victims of cardiac arrest by focusing on training members of the community in CPR and AED use.

The attached PowerPoint program outlines the standards of the program and we are currently well on our way to completing these requirements and achieving this designation. When we achieve this determination we will place Heartsafe Community Signs as you enter Merrimack.

During the presentation at the Town Council Meeting we will be explaining the program in its entirety and how we will meet this goal.

Any questions please let me know.





# New Hampshire Heartsafe Community Initiative

**HEART Safe**  
COMMUNITIES



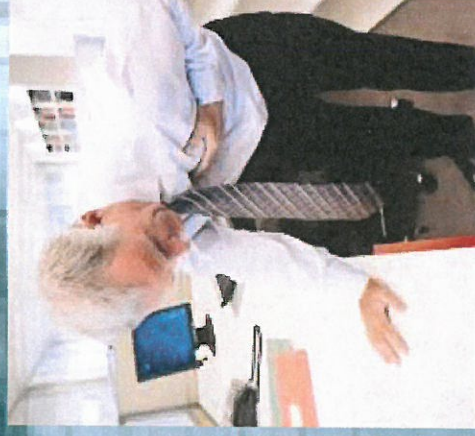
- **A designation given to communities throughout the State of New Hampshire for meeting goals in:**
  - **CPR/AED training**
  - **AED placement**
  - **ALS response levels**





## Why Should Merrimack become a **HEART** Safe Community?

- To strengthen the chain of survival for victims of cardiac arrest by focusing on training members of the community in CPR and AED use.



**Learn**  
**CPR**  
Save Lives



# How can Merrimack become a **HEART** Safe Community?

- By meeting a standard set by the State of New Hampshire for:

- CPR/AED training (20 classes/year)
- Placement of AED's throughout town (10 minimum)
- AED located in each school w/ AED trained personnel and a written CPR/AED Emergency Response Plan
- All EMS First Response designated vehicles (Fire Apparatus, Police Vehicles) are equipped with AED's and CPR/AED trained personnel.
- Advanced Life Support (ALS) Personnel (Advanced EMT or Paramedic) dispatched to all suspected cardiac emergencies.
- Evaluation process to assess and improve the chain of survival.



## Cardiac Arrest Statistics:



- According to the American Heart Association there are 383,000 out of hospital cardiac arrests per year
- Of those 383,000 only 8% survive (30,640)
- When CPR/AED is given to the patient immediately by bystanders it can DOUBLE or TRIPLE the survival rate.



## Cardiac Arrest Statistics (cont):

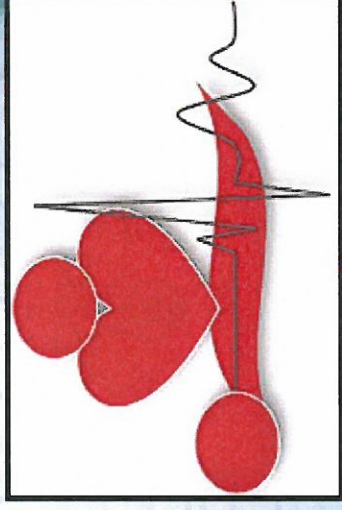
- Only 32% of cardiac arrest victims receive bystander CPR
- Only 2% of cardiac arrest victims receive bystander AED





# What do we want to accomplish?

- By offering CPR/AED training to the public, we hope to increase the amount of bystanders willing to do CPR and use an AED.
- By accomplishing these goals we will **SAVE LIVES!**





Let's join these communities  
that are **HEART Safe**.

- Bedford • Lancaster
- Chester • Lincoln
- Concord • Lyme
- Derry • Manchester
- Goffstown • Milford
- Hampton • Peterborough
- Henniker • Portsmouth
- Hudson • Rochester
- Keene • Swanzey
- Woodstock

